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Sir:

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1. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 63-197148, published August 16, 1988 with English Abstract.
2. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 7-245628, published September 19, 1995 with English Abstract.
3. World Patent No. 96/26589, published August 29, 1996 with English Abstract.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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